

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 177
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH DECEMBER, 2017
CATASTROPHIC HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURE**

***177. SHRI SUBHASH PATEL:**

DR. BHARATIBEN D. SHYAL:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been carried out by the Government or by any Government agencies/Institutions to assess the catastrophic expenditure incurred by the people to meet their healthcare needs in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the percentage of people incurring such expenditure; and

(c) the number of people who have been pushed below poverty line and the number of people into debt separately as a result of catastrophic healthcare expenditure incurred by them?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) to (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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- (a) The Government or its agencies/institutions at National level, has not carried out any study to assess the catastrophic expenditure incurred by the people to meet their healthcare needs in the country. However, the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, carried out a survey on social consumption relating to health sector in its 71st round (January – June 2014) which inter-alia covered expenditure incurred on treatment received from health services in public and private sectors. Prior to this, in the 60th round (January – June 2004) of NSS, a survey on morbidity and health care, was also carried out.
- (b) A Statement showing average medical expenditure per hospitalisation case and per ailment of non-hospitalised case as per Health in India - NSS 71st Round (January – June 2014) is annexed.
- (c) The data on number of people who have been pushed below poverty line and the number of people into debt as a result of catastrophic healthcare expenditure incurred by them, is not available from official sources at National level.

Statement showing average medical expenditure per hospitalisation case and per ailment of non-hospitalised case as per Health in India - NSS 71st Round (January – June 2014)

Average medical expenditure (in Rupees)						
	Per hospitalized case (excluding childbirth) during stay at hospital		Per childbirth during stay at hospital		For non-hospitalised treatment per ailment	
	Rural	Urban	Rural	Urban	Rural	Urban
All-India	14935	24436	5544	11685	509	639

Source: NSS Report No. 574 : Health in India, NSS 71st round (Jan-June 2014)

Note: Here sector (Rural/Urban) means the place of domicile of the person, not the place of treatment.